MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(1)

TO:

Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

June 4, 2013

FROM:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution forgiving seven

surtax loans in the total amount

of \$362,964.57 to seven homebuyers of Havana Palm

Condominium Units

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro.

R. A. Cuevas,

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Please note any items checked.		
	"3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised	
-	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing	
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing	
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget	
	Budget required	
	Statement of fiscal impact required	
p	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing	
	No committee review	
	Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's, 3/5's, unanimous) to approve	
	Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required	

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No.	11(A)(1)
Veto		6-4-13	
Override		-	
DE	COLUTION NO		

RESOLUTION FORGIVING SEVEN SURTAX LOANS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$362,964.57 TO SEVEN HOMEBUYERS OF HAVANA PALM CONDOMINIUM UNITS; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SATISFACTIONS OF MORTGAGE AND OTHER AGREEMENTS OR DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO FULFILL THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN THIS RESOLUTION; COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DIRECTING THE DESIGNEE TO INCORPORATE INTO ITS POLICIES AND GUIDELINES EXCEPTIONS FOR THE HAVANA PALMS BUYERS WHEN CONSIDERING THEM FOR FUTURE SECOND MORTGAGE HOMEBUYER ASSISTANCE

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County loaned documentary surtax funds to seven (7) low- or moderate-income homebuyers (the "Havana Palms Buyers"), identified in Exhibit 1, attached hereto, for the purchase of condominium units in the Havana Palms Condominium development, which is located at 920 SW 2 Street, Miami, Florida (the "Loans"); and

WHEREAS, those Loans were secured by mortgages on the condominium units; and

WHEREAS, the condominium units were not rehabilitated by the developer properly, resulting in serious concerns as to the safety of the building and units; and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2013, the City of Miami issued a Repair or Demolish Notice (the "Notice") declaring the property to be in violation of Chapter 8-5 "Unsafe Structures" of the Miami-Dade County Code and requiring the Havana Palms Buyers to vacate the property within thirty (30) days; and

WHEREAS, it is an unforeseen hardship upon the Havana Palms Buyers to pay off the Loans on units in which they cannot live; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to help the Havana Palms Buyers by relieving them of their obligations to pay off the Loans and by preventing the failure of the Havana Palms Condominium project to adversely affect their ability to get second mortgage homebuyer assistance from the County in the future,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. The Board directs the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to forgive in their entirety the documentary surtax Loans given to the Havana Palm Buyers listed in Exhibit 1, totaling approximately \$362,964.57. The County Mayor or Mayor's designee is authorized and directed to execute satisfactions of mortgage on the Loans and any other agreements or documents necessary to fulfill the purposes set forth in this resolution, in consultation with and following approval by the County Attorney's Office.

Section 2. The Board directs the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to incorporate into its policies and guidelines the following exceptions for the Havana Palms Buyers when considering whether to approve the Havana Palms Buyers for future second mortgage homebuyer assistance: (i) the County shall not consider the forgiveness of the Loans or failure to repay the Loans as a factor against the Havana Palms Buyers; (ii) the County shall not consider the failure to repay the first mortgage loans or other loans specifically for the Havana Palms units as a factor against the Havana Palms Buyers; (iii) the County shall not consider negative findings in credit reports as a factor against the Havana Palms Buyers if those findings are the result of the purchase of the Havana Palms units or defaults or foreclosures on loans related to the Havana Palms units.

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The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro. It was offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman Lynda Bell, Vice Chair

Bruno A. Barreiro Jose "Pepe" Diaz Sally A. Heyman Jean Monestime Sen. Javier D. Souto Juan C. Zapata Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. Audrey M. Edmonson Barbara J. Jordan Dennis C. Moss Xavier L. Suarez

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of June, 2013. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: ______ Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

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Brenda Kuhns Neuman

EXHIBIT 1

HAVANA PALMS CONDOMINIUM HOMEBUYER LOANS

Name	Original Loan Amt	Principal Balance As of April 5, 2013
Daniela Papetti	\$40,000.00	\$35,064.58
Jesus Garcia	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Daniel Bertolasa	\$50,000.00	\$45,662.32
Jenny Marquez	\$50,000.00	\$45,286.94
Andres S. Alvarez	\$80,000.00	\$78,300.64
Jose C. Perez	\$60,000.00	\$59,100.00
Darryl Martinez	\$50,000.00	\$49,550.09
Total	\$380,000.00	\$362,964.57